

## REMARKS

1. This is the second Preliminary Amendment filed in this application.
2. Claims 1-67 were originally presented in this application. By the foregoing Amendments, claims 6 and 26 have been amended. No claims have been added. Thus, upon entry of this paper, claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10-12, 14-17, 21-28, 32-33, 38-39, 43-48, 51-52, 54, 56-57, and 61-63 will be pending in this application. Of these 39 claims, three (3) claims (claims 1, 21, and 43) are independent.

### *Amendments to the Claims*

3. Applicants have amended the claims in accordance to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(i).

### *Conclusion*

4. It is believed that this application is in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after entering this paper into the record, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' representative at the number provided below.

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